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Ex parte: THIAN HOEY TIO

Application No. 10/553,164
Technology Center 1700

Mailed: 9 January 2009

Before LAWRENCE J. BANKS *Paralegal Specialist*
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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on 30 September 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

APPEAL BRIEF, GROUNDS OF REJECTION

A review of the file finds that the grounds of rejection of the claims as provided in the Appeal Brief filed 18 February 2008, under the heading “Grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal” is unclear and/or is not consistent with the grounds of rejection of claims of record. The grounds of rejection of the claims as provided in the Appeal Brief must be consistent with the last Office action of record, including any Advisory action responsive to any after final submissions. Each Grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal must be identified.

A review of the last Office action, including any mailed Advisory Action(s) finds that claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a); whereas Appellant did not indicated the grounds of rejection of this claim. Correction of the Grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal for all claims is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) hold the Appeal Brief filed on 18 February 2008 defective;
- 2) notify Appellant to file a paper properly addressing the Grounds of rejection of all claims; and

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3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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